

**BUTTE-SILVER BOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT
STUDY COMMISSION**

**Minutes of the Meeting
November 10, 2005
Butte-Silver Bow Courthouse, First Floor Conference Room**

Meeting Date: November 10, 2005

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Place: Butte-Silver Bow Courthouse, First Floor Conference Room

Call to Order: Chairman Bob Worley brought the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. and called roll with the following results:

Members Present: Ristene Hall, Meg Sharp, Northey Tretheway, Cindi Shaw and Bob Worley

Excused Absences: Tony Bonney, Wayne Harper, Dave Palmer and Shag Miller

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Bob Worley had everyone look over the highlighted section of minutes on page 5. That section pertained to a draft of the suggested language changes for Subsections 12 and 13. The proposed language change read...The Chief Executive shall with the advice and consent of the Council of Commissioners establish annual time phased measurable goals and objectives which relate to the improvements in meeting public needs: public safety, community livability; environmental quality; transportation systems, public infrastructure, economic development, BSB budget, and other agreed upon objectives that improve the health, welfare, and economy of public service. Northey Tretheway commented that he made a change to that section because the last part of that referred to the Commissioners duties, which should be better placed elsewhere in the document. Northey Tretheway stated the reason being is the Chief Executive must report and if they want to include that then the Council of Commissioners should evaluate that. Chairman Bob Worley confirmed that they want to remove the last part of that section which read...the performance of the Chief Executive in meeting each one of the goals and objectives, and the Commissioners performance ratings in meeting each of the goals and objectives.

Chairman Bob Worley entertained a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Northey Tretheway motioned and Meg Sharp seconded. All were in favor and the minutes from November 3, 2005 were approved.

Comments from Ron Rowling: He is still waiting to hear back from Great Falls.

Citizen's Comments: None.

Items Not On Agenda: Chairman Bob Worley mentioned that due to the number of members absent and other events taking place, the meeting would be cut short.

Northey Tretheway had brought information about charters in other cities that he researched on the Internet. Northey commented he found it interesting that in Missoula and Helena, they have a Neighborhood Council. Northey asked if Bozeman was putting together a charter for the first time because on their website, they are in the process of creating one. They are using a model charter from the National Civic League.

Bob Worley stated that he had met with Charlie O'Leary over the week and asked him for information on their commissioners, things that they do as commissioners and the number of committees they attend. He also requested from Mary McMahon an attendance record of the commissioners for the last year.

Bob Worley commented in Section V of the charter, they are going to be reviewing elected officials such as the Assessor, County Superintendent of Schools, Treasurer, Auditor and so forth. Bob Worley has visited with Dick Tamblyn on the Auditor position and he has provided him with information that they will review next meeting.

Bob Worley had spoke with Ristene Hall and discussed when Jack Lynch was in office, he stripped away the duties of the Auditor. Bob Worley suggested having Danette Harrington present to see what her duties were prior to the Lynch era.

Cindi Shaw stated that she had spoke to Charlie O'Leary that morning. Charlie wants to make it very clear that he is adamant about not changing the number of commissioners. Cindi stated he had some good points and reasons for not wanting the number to change. Cindi suggested they invite him to come back.

Northey Tretheway suggested that they go back to the Council on that issue. Northey further suggested that any of the changes that impact the departments, they should bring those people back to get their opinion.

Bob Worley stated that the next meeting will not be held in the first floor conference room and will be held in the Chief Executive's chambers due to the Transportation Committee. Bob Worley commented that Dave Palmer would chair the next meeting in his absence. There will be no meeting next week due to Thanksgiving. The meeting following Thanksgiving will be held on December 1, 2005.

Bob Worley commented that he reviewed the calendar and if they are going to present the charter changes to the public in June, they only have about 14 weeks left to meet.

Adjournment: Bob Worley entertained a motion to adjourn. Meg Sharp motioned and Northey Tretheway seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Date of Next Meeting: November 17, 2005